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SUBJECT: APPROACH TO LEBANESE ON KOREAN QUESTION

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1. NORTH KOREAN DELEGATION CAME AND WENT EARLIER THIS WEEK, HAVING MET WITH PRIME MINISTER KARAME AND FOREIGN MINISTER TAQLA, AMONG OTHERS. FOREIGN MINISTRY SECGEN DAHDAH TOLD US AUGUST 6 THAT LEBANESE HAD LISTENED TO NORTH KOREAN ARGUMENTS, AGREED TO GIVE THEM CONSIDERATION BUT MADE NO COMMITMENTS. DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MINISTRY ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT TOLD US THERE HAD BEEN NO DISCUSSION OF ECONOMIC QUESTIONS ON THE SIDE AS FAR AS HE WAS AWARE.

2. LEBANESE ARE QUITE PREPARED TO LISTEN TO SOUTH KOREANS LED BY ROK VICE MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS (REFTEL) WHEN HE ARRIVES, PRESUMABLY SOMETIME NEXT WEEK. WE WONDER IF DEPARTMENT WOULD DESIRE WE APPROACH LEBANESE TO ENCOURAGE THEIR GIVING FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO KOREAN REQUESTS (AND OUR VIEWS). IF SO, INSTRUCTIONS
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INCLUDING SPEAKING POINTS SHOULD BE CABLED US ASAP,

PREFERABLY BY MONDAY.

3. BRITISH HERE HAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPPORT US ON
ANY REPRESENTATION WE MAKE IF WE SO DESIRE.
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